(c) The present Diwan Peishkar has not had sufficient time and opportunity to do anything substantial in this direction. He is taking steps to give the sparsely represented classes better representation when opportunities occur.

Appointments in the Land Revenue Department.

41. Mr. K. Ayyappan.— Will the Government be pleased to state the number

(1) of applications for appointments received; and

(2) appointments made by the present Diwan Peishkar from each of the following communities:—Christians, Muslims, Ezhuvas, Nayars, Pulayas, Brahmins, Arayas and others?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(1) and (2) Vide list appended. (*Appendix II.*)

Request for opening a road in Anjur Village.

42. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any petition or a resolution passed at a meeting held at Pengamuk village has been received by the Government requesting the Government to open a road connecting Cherullikadavu road with Vaduthala road in Anjur village;

(b) what action has been taken by the Government with reference to this matter;

(c) whether orders have been passed granting the request?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) It is being enquired into.

(c) No. Vide answer to sub-division (b).

43. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Chief Engineer has received a petition dated 2nd Meenam 1104 from the inhabitants of Kattakampal and Anjur; villages and if so, what is the request contained in the petition;

(b) whether the request has been sanctioned; and if not,

(c) what action has been taken by the Government in the matter?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Yes. The request of the petitioners was for opening a road from Vaduthala to Cheruvally ferry and for improving the Vaduthala road.

(b) No.

(c) The Assistant Engineer had been asked to report on the same and his report has been received. The matter is engaging the attention of the Department.

Small-pox attacks in Chelakkara.

44. Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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